STATE of WISCONSIN



Proclamation

WHEREAS; wind energy is the largest provider of renewable energy in the United States, and Wisconsin is home to 17 wind projects and 28 wind-related manufacturing facilities; and

WHEREAS; the wind industry in Wisconsin provides more than 2,000 jobs to folks throughout our state, has driven \$1.6 billion in total capital investments to date, and, in 2019 alone, provided \$7.6 million in lease payments to rural landowners; and

WHEREAS; climate change presents a grave threat to the health, safety, and economic well-being of people and communities across Wisconsin, and especially communities of color and low-income communities, which are disproportionately affected; and

WHEREAS; we have a responsibility to current and future generations of Wisconsinites to act to prevent damage to our climate and to invest in sustainable solutions, including renewable energy sources like wind energy, so that all of Wisconsin can prosper in transitioning to a just and equitable clean economy; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins the American Wind Energy Association in encouraging all Wisconsinites to learn about the benefits of wind energy in our communities and in celebrating our state's leadership in renewable energy production;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim August 9 – 15, 2020, as

AMERICAN WIND WEEK

roughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 6th day of August 2020.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the vernor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State